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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE  
(DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5)			
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	EARLIEST PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED	
PCT/DE2004/000692	April 2, 2004	April 4, 2003	
TITLE OF INVENTION			
THERMAL COMBUSTION ENGINE WHICH CONVERTS THERMAL ENERGY INTO MECHANICAL ENERGY AND USE THEREOF			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US			
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information by **Express Mail**:

- 1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 37 U.S.C. 371.
- 3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- 4. The US has been elected (Article 31).
- 5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- 6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).

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\_\_\_\_ 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))

\_\_\_\_ a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).

\_\_\_\_ b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.

\_\_\_\_ c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.

\_\_\_\_ d. have not been made and will not be made.

\_\_\_\_ 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).

\_\_\_\_ 9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).

\_\_\_\_ 10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:**

\_\_\_\_ 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.

\_\_\_\_ 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

X 13. A preliminary amendment.

\_\_\_\_ 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.

X 15. A substitute specification with clean and marked up version pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.

\_\_\_\_ 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.

\_\_\_\_ 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13<sup>ter</sup>.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 – 1.825.

\_\_\_\_ 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

\_\_\_\_ 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

X 20. Other items or information: Copy of International Search Report (ISA/EP)

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22. <u>X</u>	b) Examination fee	\$200.00	
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23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee	\$400.00		
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.			
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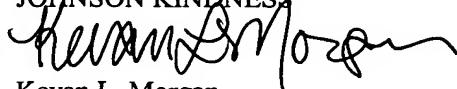
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